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Identical letters dated 16 October 2017 from the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I refer to the letter dated 29 September 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations, and wish to make the following points:

The Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan rejects the claims made in the Syrian representative's letter concerning Jordan, to the effect that missiles armed with chemical warheads have been transported over the Jordanian border.

My Government finds it deplorable that the Permanent Representative of Syria persists in tarnishing the name of Jordan in his letters concerning terrorist activities on Syrian territory. These deceitful accusations come at a time when Jordan has been commended by the international community and the members of the Security Council for combating terrorism by all of the military, security and ideological means at its disposal.

While the Permanent Representative of Syria hurls fresh accusations at my country, the latter has been complying with the relevant Security Council resolutions by providing cross-border humanitarian assistance to its Syrian brethren in order to alleviate the impact of the horrific war in Syria. It has also worked intensively to establish a de-escalation zone in southern Syria.

Jordan has opened its border to its Syrian brethren and offered them protection and essential services. It continues to support the development of a political solution that would preserve the unity, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Syria.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter issued as a document of the Security Council.

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